

**REMARKS**

Claim 1 has been amended. Claims 15-17 are withdrawn from consideration. Claims 1-4, 6, 7 and 9-14 remain active in this case.

Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph.

In view of the above amendment to claim 1, this ground of rejection is deemed moot.

Claims 1-4, 6, 7 and 9-14 stand provisionally rejected under the judicially-created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting.

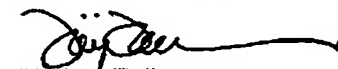
In view of the executed Terminal Disclaimer attached herewith, this ground of rejection is deemed moot.

Accordingly, it is believed this application now stands in condition for allowance. Early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 07-1337 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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